

Emergency Medical Services Advisory Board
Regulation and Policy Committee
Conference Call
February 27, 2007
10:00 A.M.

Attendance: Jennie Collins-Chair, Gary Critzer, Ed Rhodes, Joseph Pozzo, David Hoback, Anthony Wilson, Gregory Woods,

Staff: Michael Berg, Gary Brown, Scott Winston, Tim Perkins, Rohn Brown

Topic/Subject	Discussion	Recommendations, Action/Follow-up; Responsible Person
Call to Order	The Chair called the conference call to order at 1001 hours.	
Review of purpose of Conference Call	The Chair reviewed the submission of suggest language regarding the Public Comments submitted to OEMS regarding the proposed Regional Council Designation and Financial Assistance for EMS (FARC) regulations, specifically that of "endorsement from localities". 12 VAC 5-31-2330 (B) (j)	None
12 VAC 5-31-2330 (B) (j)	Director Brown shared that this section of the proposed regulations would be removed. Any local support would be reviewed and validated internally by OEMS as defined elsewhere within the proposed regulations.	A motion passed (Rhodes/Pozzo) to support the action by OEMS in removing the proposed language for section 12 VAC 5-31-2330 (B) (j).
Evaluation Matrix	Staff prepared a matrix at the request of the committee to illustrate the potential process of how each section of the Designation process may be weighed during the evaluation process.	Although this is an internal document, the performance measures will be identified as part of the Request for Proposal (RFP) process for those entities seeking regional council designation.
Governing Bodies and Council Board representation	It was expressed that the designation regional councils assure there is representation from the governing localities within their proposed services areas.	Staff assured through the <i>Code of Virginia</i> and within the RFP process this information would be reviewed and addressed in the designation process.
Consideration of Reimbursement to Regional Councils for Training	This question posed was for the benefit for those regional councils who are the primary training organization for their service area.	Although there are various mechanisms in-place now to provide funding for training programs, this remains open for review aside from the Designation Process.
Define "catchments area"	This was discussed at the February meeting where this would be defined by the hospitals and the populations from which they draw their patient flow.	None

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Contract versus Designation	A question was raised as to those entities that are currently contracted and the Designation process. Can OEMS contract before the designation process, which comes first?	Staff reported that those who are currently under contract would remain so until the expiration of the contract. However, before new contracts could be awarded, after the regulations are in effect, the entity would need to be Designated first by the Health Department before we could enter into a contractual agreement.
		A motion passed (Rhodes/Hoback) to accept the recommended language as reviewed and approved by the Office of EMS and the Regulation and Policy Committee regarding suggested changes as submitted through the Public Comment period ending November 18, 2007 for the proposed regulations for the Regional Council Designation and the Financial Assistance for EMS (FARC).
Next Meeting	May 17, 2007 at 3:00 p.m., Marriott West, Richmond, Virginia.	None
Adjournment	The conference call adjourned at 1032 hours.	